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SUBJECT: GENERALIZED SYSTEM OF PREFERENCES (GSP):

EXCLUSION OF LAOS

1. THE PRESIDENT HAS WRITTEN TODAY TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE INFORMING THEM, AS REQUIRED BY SECTION 502(A) (2) OF THE TRADE ACT OF 1974, OF HIS INTENTION TO WITHDRAW THE DESIGNATION OF LAOS AS A BENEFICIARY DEVELOPING COUNTRY UNDER THE GSP. DEPARTMENT IS GIVING SIMILAR NOTIFICATION TO LAO EMBASSY HERE. AFTER 60 DAYS, LAOS WILL NO LONGER BE ELIGIBLE FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE GSP.

2. RATIONALE GIVEN FOR THIS ACTION IS THAT SECTION 502(B) (1) OF THE ACT REQUIRES EXCLUSION SINCE LAO IS NOW A COMMUNIST COUNTRY. INGERSOLL UNQTE KISSINGER

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